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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated December 16, 2008, Applicants hereby elect the invention identified as Group II, claims 17-20, 29 and 30, drawn to a conjugate of a substance P analogue and a chelator molecule. Applicants reserve their right to file a continuation or divisional application to any withdrawn claims.

Applicants respectfully request that claims 21 to 28 be considered along with the elected claims. Applicants note that claims 21 to 28 refer directly or indirectly to the conjugate according to claim 17, and therefore should also belong to group II.

Upon allowance of the elected claims, the Examiner is requested to consider the possibility of rejoinder per M.P.E.P. § 821.04.

Favorable action on the merits is now requested.

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

Respectfully submitted,

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